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Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

Please Vote FOR HB 433, Short Title: **Provide A Tuition Tax Credit For K-12 Education.** Give parents "choice" in directing the education of their children, improve public schools through competition and give us tax relief.

Parents, not bureaucrats, know what is best for their children. Please help families cushion the financial part of the decision by allowing them to keep more of **their** money.

Improve the public school system with competition. A monopoly has no incentive to improve services. Implement free market principles and make the public schools compete for customers. Presently we are being forced to pay a high price for a low product.

Replacing a \$5,500 per elementary student and a \$6,600 per high school student annual expenditure with a \$1,000 tax credit, per student, will save taxpayers money both on the income and property tax levels.

Please respect parental rights, improve education for all and reduce taxes by
Passing this bill.

Yours,



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